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APPLICATION  
Docket No. 14684.47



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of )  
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                          Christian John Cook )  
                          ) Art Unit  
Serial No.:         09/830,145                    )  
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Filed:              April 20, 2001                    )  
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Confirmation No.: 9802                            )  
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For:                 DETERMINING MEAT QUALITY OF A LIVE ANIMAL )  
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Examiner:          Xiuqin Sun                        )

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Arlington, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that the shortened statutory period which was set for responding to the Office Action dated July 16, 2003, in the above-identified patent application be extended for Two-month until December 16, 2003.

Form PTO-2038 submitting Credit Card Payment in the amount of \$420.00 is enclosed herewith for payment of the fee associated with this Petition, as set forth in 37 CFR § 1.17. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in

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connection with this Petition to Deposit Account No. 23-3178. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefore and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-3178.

Dated this 16<sup>th</sup> day of December 2003.

Respectfully submitted,



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